

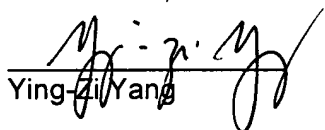


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This paper is submitted in response to the FINAL action dated 9 August 2006 in the above-referenced case. Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2; and

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.